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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD FOR PROVIDING IN-TRANSIT AUTHENTICATION, REPAIR AND CUSTOMIZATION OF AUCTIONED GOODS**, the specification of which was filed December 15, 2000 and assigned U.S. Serial No. 09/738,562.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

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